

THE SILVER QUESTION.

SENATE AND HOUSE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS
COMMITTEE HOPELESSLY APART.The Action Taken by the Committee To-
Day—Maj. Brock and the North and
South American Connecting Railway—
The Republicans Contestants from Mon-
tana Seated in the Senate by a Party
Vote.

By Telegraph to the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—Maj. Brock
returned from Philadelphia to-day. As Chief
of the Bureau of Statistics, he has been desig-
nated by Secretary Windom to meet with
those who are interesting themselves in a
connecting railroad project between North
and South America. This proposal is the
outgrowth of the Pan-American discussion.
The Chief will be required to respond regard-
ing the material, products, shipments, etc.,
statistically, for the benefit of the scheme.When asked to-day if he had given up all
hopes of being nominated for the Melbourne
Consulship, Mr. George H. Wallace said that
he was giving the matter no concern, but he
was busy on other matters and had no idea
what the President's intentions were. His
papers, he understood, were with the Executive.
Mr. Wallace did not look like he was
losing any sleep over the matter.
All the appointments in the Consular
service which have so far been created to
Missouri have been charged to the account
of H. C. Kerec. The place has been awarded
Wm. S. Smith, and his friend, E. G. England, is
said to be worth \$5,000 a year in fees.Joseph Dickinson, Esq., of St. Louis is here;
also H. Haydel and wife of the same city.
Congressman Tarzey will return to his
Kansas City home May 1 next. Mrs. Tarzey,
who is in poor health, requires the change.

The Silver Question.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—The House
and Senate Republican caucus committees are
hopelessly apart on the silver question. After
the last ineffectual meeting of the joint sub-
committee the House contingent reported to
the full committee the failure to agree.Thereupon Representative Walker of Massa-
chusetts moved that the House should accept
the concessions to the extreme silver men
had been made with the understanding that
something positive would be done, but
as the bill failed to receive the support of the
House Committee should revert to the
modified Windham bill reported by the Com-
mittee. This was put as a motion
which was carried by a vote of 50 to 5.The next step will be to
report to the House Republican caucus prob-
ably on Monday night, and then accept the
House committee bill and that will pass the House.
Meanwhile the Senate will probably pass its
own bill, which will be turned over to a
conference committee to adjust the differences
between the houses.

The Montana Senators.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—The Mon-
tana Senatorial election case was again taken
up yesterday in the Senate. After Messrs.
Gibson and McKenna had addressed the Sen-
ate the matter was temporarily dropped for
the day.The vote was taken on the resolutions declar-
ing Clark and Macmillan not entitled to seats
and the resolution was agreed to—yeas, 38;
nays, 19. Messrs. Gibson and George
and Walthall voted with the Republicans in
the affirmative.The substitute was rejected by a party
vote of 26 to 25, yeas, 31; nays, 25.The resolution, including Wilbur F. Sanders
and Thomas C. Power "entitled, upon the
order of the day, to be read in the Senate
from the desk of the Secretary of State" was
voted for by a strict party vote—yeas, 32; nays,
26.Messrs. Sanders and Power were immedi-
ately with demonstrations of applause
from the galleries and the galleries and the
desk by Senators Hoar and Washburn; the
oice of office was administered to the Vice-
President, and, after a brief executive
session, the Senate adjourned.

Protests Against Duties.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 16.—Senator Cul-
ton to-day presented a petition by many
citizens of several Western and North-
western States, praying that sum-
ples, salt, binding twine and
the materials entering into it be admitted
free of tariff duties and that a cut of at least
50 per cent be made on all woolen, cotton and
linen fabrics.Senator Turbe presented the protest of
hardwood dealers against increasing duty on
brich-iron and cutlery.Senator Plumt presented the resolution of
the Newton, Kan., Board of Trade, protesting
against the imposition of duties on lead ores
and favoring a reciprocity
treaty with that country.

River and Harbor Appropriations.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—The House
Committee on River and Harbors to-day com-
pleted the river and harbor appropriation
bill. The total appropriation is a little over
\$20,000,000.

Postmaster Moss Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 16.—The nomi-
nation of Wm. M. Moss, Postmaster at Jack-
son, Tenn., has been confirmed by the Senate.

FIFTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—Messrs.
Sanders and Power, the new Montana
Senators, were their respective seats in
their desks having been placed in the Rep-
ublican side, since adjournment on the
1st.The desks were first placed on the Des-
keller after the new seats were ad-
mitted and there they remained until the ad-
option of the Senate's yesterday seating
the Republicans on the right.The terms of a resolution presented in the
executive session yesterday by Mr. Hear-
st, Sanders and Power will be assigned by
the Senate to the Committee on Territories
to be introduced in the Senate.The resolution, which will expire in 1893
and 1895 respectively, in ac-
cordance with the terms of the resolution
proposed by Mr. Hearst, the clerk
of the Senate, read the numbers 1 and
2. Senator Sanders drew numbers one and
one and Senator Power, two. Vice-
Sen. Morton then announced that
Senator Sanders would be placed in the class
of Senators whose terms expire March 3, 1893,
and in the class whose terms expire March
3, 1895.Among the petitions and memorials pre-
sented was one by Trade protesting against
the passage of the Butterworth option and
future bill; one by Mr. Reagan containing
the resolution introduced by Mr. Reagan
and Senator Sanders, to the effect that
the bill be introduced in the Senate and
that Senator Sanders be appointed to the
committee for the election of Senators by
vote of the people.Buildings were taken from the calendar
and placed at following places: Milwaukee,
\$10,000 (Senate bill); Dallas, Tex. (addi-
tional), \$200,000 (House bill); Kansas City, Kan.,
\$300,000 (Senate bill).A bill was requested by the Secretary of War to
cause report to be made as to practicability and
cost of the tunneling of the Detroit River at
Detroit, Mich. Also a Senate bill app-
roved \$30,000 for the improvement
of the military reservation known as
Fort McHenry, Md., also the House bill
for the appointment and retirement of John
C. Fremont as Major-General in the United
States Army.On the 1st of Mr. Gray the House bill
to transfer the revenue cutter service from the
Treasury Department to the Navy Depart-
ment was taken up for consideration.

SCALED THE WALLS.

Two Romantic Girls Who Waited for a
Chance to Take an Unusual Departure.
Josie Atkins and Emma Conway, two young
girls who have been in charge of the House
of the Good Shepherd, at Pine and Seventeenth
streets, escaped last evening between the
hours of 6 and 9 o'clock. The first
knowledge of their disappearance was
when the Sisters who had charge of their class
called them to evening prayers at 9 o'clock,
when the girls were reported missing. This
caused a stir in the convent.Josie Atkins is a daughter of Judge Atkins of
Kansas City. She is 16 years old, a blonde
and exceedingly bright and plump. She
was taken after a foolish escapade in which
she was dressed in boy's clothing. Miss Con-
way is two years older and is a brunet. She
had been at the Good Shepherd about two months,
having come there of her own accord, and asked
to be taken in. The sisters, however, sent her
to leave in a rather unusual manner.
Miss Atkins was not told of her escape, but they
said she had heard nothing of her since she
escaped, and that her rooming board was
under a disadvantage, the previous speaker
having taken his side of the question. But
Dr. Nicolls and other advocates of revision
came to his assistance by frequent questions
and requests for authority, and a spirited debate
was the result. The burden of his remarks
was that the confession already covered
some of the points desired to be added to it,
and he quoted, in answer to one of Dr. Nicolls' arguments, the sentence in the
confession which speaks of the Almighty as
the most loving, gracious and merciful
Savior, and the words of truth and
Did not that imply God's love to the whole
world?

AMONG THE BROKERS.

A Dull Market—Stocks Sold and Prices Ob-
tained To-day.There was little activity in the mining mar-
ket this morning, but the prices of stocks
were firm, with an upward tendency.The sale of the Hulliday stock in the Major
Budd, which was made at a late hour yesterday
on the street, was the subject of no little
speculation on the street, and not a few were
inclined to doubt the authenticity of the
sale. These doubts, however, were as
rest by Mr. Mulally, who said that yesterday
evening he had sold over
\$100,000 worth of stocks, and that the
transfer was the fact as long as he re-
mained a large holder lawsuits were likely to
be very nearly continuous.The following quotations were made on call
this morning:The market was inactive, but prices were
steady and in some cases rose.Golden Era was in fair demand, but fell in
price. The market opened at \$3 1/2, but fell to
\$3 1/4, and was then held at \$3 1/2. The market
closed at \$3 1/2.Rev. J. H. Nixon, S. J. Nicolls, J. R. Ar-
mstrong, George H. Wallace, A. T. Thomas,
John C. Brand, Robert Ingalls, John
Blackwell, Frederick Auf der Heide, A. D.
Thompson, A. C. Clayton, and nearly all who
voted for the amendment entered a protest
against the resolution.Rev. M. B. W. Granger of Jackson, Mo.,
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MOURNED BY MANY.

The Randall Obsequies at the National Capital.

Rev. Dr. Chester's Eloquent Tribute to the Dead Statesman.

Impressive and Solemn Services at the Metropolitan Presbyterian Church—Senators, Representatives, Cabinet Members and Other Officials in Attendance—The Sermon is Full—Mr. Millburn's Touching Remarks—The Remains Taken to Philadelphia for Interment—Adjournment of the House.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—This morning at 8 o'clock the coffin inclosing the remains of Mr. Randall was borne from his house by a squad of Capitol police and deposited it in the lecture room of the Metropolitan Presbyterian Church, which was appropriately draped. There it was visited by many of his late associates in the House, by Mr. Wanamaker, and by a large number of his friends, neighbors and admirers.

Samuel J. Randall, about one hour after it was removed from the body of the church, was placed upon a catafalque strown with flowers. Several beautiful floral decorations were placed near it. About 9:30 the carriage with the family and immediate friends reached the church, and as Mrs. Randall, leaning on the arm of her husband's brother, the two daughters (Mrs. Lancaster and Miss Susan), the onlyson and namesake of the dead statesman and other relatives (many of them from Philadelphia) moved up the aisle to the seats reserved for them in the right center, they were preceded by Dr. Chester, wearing a white scarf and reciting the opening to the burial service, "I am the Resurrection and the Life." Soon afterward the members of the joint committees of the two Houses, also wearing white scarfs, entered the church and took their seats in the left center—the front row being occupied by four of Mr. Randall's oldest friends and colleagues—Messrs. O'Neill, Carlisle, McKinley and Holman.

THE MOURNERS.

A little back of the joint committee sat Mr. and Mrs. Blaine, and near to them Vice-President and Mrs. Morton, Mrs. Harrison, escorted by Mr. Haldorff, the President's Private Secretary, and Chief Justice Fuller and daughter. Mr. Wanamaker was in another part of the church. A large number of Senators and members of the House, including the speakers and many ex-members, were also present. A deputation of about thirty uniformed members of the Grand Army of the Republic from Philadelphia, in their caps and uniforms, marched as an escort to the funeral procession. The great bulk of the congregation was composed of Mr. Randall's friends and relatives, and the friends and relatives of the man he mourned his death. The hymn "Lead, Kindly Light" having been sung by the Schubert quartette, the selection from the fifteenth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, "The Lord is with you," was then sung. The hymn "Just as I Am" without the words "Without a Friend as Poor as I," the favorite hymn, was sung and then the funeral service was presided over by Dr. Chester.

THE FORM OF HIM WHO HEARD THEM.

"The form of him who heard them," Mr. Millburn exclaimed (pointing to the coffin), "was that of a young man, slender, with a heavenly smile on his face and a gentle, quiet expression. His name has fallen by the hand of death. His name has been inscribed in our country's annals, and will be inscribed in the annals of posterity. He tenderly loved him, who so revered his name, who had so strenuously labored to avenge his wrongs, and who had so nobly served his country. He loved them, how tenderly, for that household was one hallowed by the purest and tenderest ties of affection."

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A SCHOOL BOARD HITCH.

CAN THE STANDING-KELLY CONTEST BE TAKEN UP MONDAY?

The Authorities Say They Had Advice From the Board's Attorney Before Calling the Special Meeting—What Expert Wiesehahn Will, It Is Said, Testify To About the Scratched Ballots—Exhibit of Models.

A special meeting of the School Board has been called for Monday evening, and as one of the special objects for which it is announced to be held is to consider the Standing-Kelly election contest, there is some doubt as to whether its principal purpose can be legally carried out. Under the rules of the board, as soon as the notice of contest is laid before the board the President shall refer the same without debate to a special committee of seven, whose duty it shall be in conjunction with the attorney to examine into the matter and to report at the next regular session of the board. Now it is claimed that inasmuch as the Board rule distinctly says that a contest shall be reported to the next regular session to report upon it at a meeting to be held on Monday, a suggestion was made to the attorney before the meeting was called and they referred the point to the attorney of the board, Mr. Hasseauer, and received his opinion, it is said, that action on the Standing-Kelly contest at a special meeting would be proper. Acting upon his advice the meeting was called.

A NEW POINT.

Director Macklin, in speaking about the calling of the special meeting, said this morning that it had been called more for the purpose of taking action upon the Lands and Leasing Committee's report, which had been deferred at the last meeting, than to take up the contested election case.

"Our attention," he said, "was directed to the fact that a rule of the board specified that a contested election case was to be brought up at the next regular meeting, but after consulting the board's attorney we were convinced that the rule would in no way affect the consideration of the Standing-Kelly case at a special meeting. Monday for this reason: The rule's only purpose was to secure promptness. Now that a regular meeting has elapsed, however, since the contest has been brought, the rule has no bearing. That is clear because, if it meant that an election contest was to be settled at the next meeting, then we could not bring up the Standing-Kelly case at all. That of course would be an absurd view to take of the situation.

The reason why we wanted to bring up the case at a special meeting is that we believe it deserves consideration until a regular meeting, the opposition would probably so delay the proceedings by dilatory tactics that we would not reach it until morning.

"What action has been taken in the case?"

"I cannot say. The supplemental evidence, that is to say the testimony of Expert Wiesehahn, who examined the suspiciously marked ballot, is not yet in. That is a quite important fact which will be brought out by him. There were, as has been published, 160 ballots with scratches on which were drawn the same name, and the curved line had been drawn through the names of the same candidates in each instance with a pencil. While it was evident that the scratches had not been done by the same person, the further belief that it had been done by some one inside of the police department was formed. Expert Wiesehahn has discovered a fact, however, which will certainly add to the suspicion that this was actually the case. Each ballot, of course, is numbered, and when he has found that a line was drawn which was the same in character as that which was drawn through the names of the candidates, he has thought out and what he has done may have discovered he will submit to the meeting."

WILL THEY GET A QUORUM?

It will be remembered that the regular meeting of Mr. Oscar Bollman, the director from the First District and one of the Auler faction, was absent. Mr. Oscar, it is to be noted, was not present by the Auler faction, who were unable to carry any measure not meeting with the favor of their opponents. Since that meeting there have been all kinds of reports as to what had been done, and it is self-evident that it was caused solely by press in business in Kansas City, but it has been denied that the Auler faction was not in attendance, voting to seat and stand in the name of the Auler faction. On the other side of the question, however, are considering that the Court of Appeals will take up the cases and that next week, regardless of the fact that the Supreme Court has taken the case, the constitutionality involved under consideration until April 28.

Exhibit of Drawing Models.

In a room adjoining the Board room in the Polytechnic building several handsome cases have been placed for the display of models for drawing made by the St. Louis Normal School. These models are made out of clay by young ladies of the school, and afterwards carved. Many of them show great skill in modeling, and all are highly creditable. The large group models will be arranged by next week. St. Louis Sunday, we are told, will have models for drawing made in the Normal class. The fact that the class can turn out models, which are as good as any which are being sold elsewhere, saves the board considerable money.

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PORT WHITMORE'S LETTER.

AMESBURY, Mass., April 12, 1890.

To the Officers of the Lafayette Avenue Church:

It would give me great pleasure to accept the invitation to the reception to my dear friends.

The Rev. Mr. C. H. Sweeney, charged with the defense of the school, was arraigned at the First District Police Court yesterday.

Shortly after the charge Officer Lyons saw two men acting in a very suspicious manner in the vicinity of the school, and the dog was dropped and placed there until the police

arrived and arrested them.

At the Four Courts the fellows gave their names as Charles Drew and Louis Wagner. They are now in custody.

A FRENCH MAN FOR TEN SECONDS.

Yesterday Judge Cunningham secured the services of Mr. J. W. Sweeney, charged with the defense of the school, and the trial, when the defendant was placed on trial in the Criminal Court. Sweeney was at once re-arrested and placed in the custody of the First District Police Court and remanded to the First District Police Court almost a year ago when the defendant pleaded guilty to the charge of robbery and was sentenced to leave the city. To-day Judge Cady ordered that the old execution be issued, Sweeney not being able to give any satisfactory reason why he should not return. Sweeney will now go to the Work-house for a year.

Only a Neighborly Act.

At the meeting of the Engineers' Club yesterday evening, a paper was read by Mr. Isaac A. Smith on "Railroad Incidences." The subject was carefully handled and discussed at great length. Mr. C. H. Bryan read a paper prepared by Mr. A. C. Smith on the Practical Mechanical Consideration of the Screw as an Element of Mechanism." Mr. Robert Moore, from the committee appointed by the American Society of Civil Engineers, reported that consideration was impracticable but that closer union might be arranged.

The chance to get a choice of five more handsome engravings free is again open to all "sweat" advertising. Tiers in the next SUNDAY WANTS Post-DISPATCH. Five perfect posters are to be had and can now be seen in the Post-DISPATCH window. Hoffmann, the Art Studio, 100 Olive street, will do the framing as bargain prices.

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HOW A VAGRANT BULL DOG RECOVERED A
LADY'S PURSE.He Led the Crowd in a Chase for a Thief and
Returned with a Trophy—Tim Sweeny,
an Old Offender, Enjoys Ten Seconds
Liberty and Then Goes to the Work-
House—in the Criminal Courts.

A close-mouthed bulldog caught a thief at Twenty-second and Olive streets yesterday afternoon and saved an unknown lady the loss of \$70. The adventure was intensely exciting and attracted an immense crowd.

The lady, well dressed and respectable in appearance, was walking east on Olive street about 5:40 o'clock. A man stepped across the gutter on the west side of Twenty-second street, a young man who had been standing at the corner with his hat drawn down over his eyes, suddenly sprang forward and jerked at the pocket-book which the lady carried in her left hand. The first pull was unsuccessful, the lady retaining a tight hold on her purse. The thief was a determined one, however, and jerked a second time. This effort was not fruitless and the highwayman dashed down Twenty-second street. The lady screamed and a number of small boys playing in the vicinity responded.

One of the lads was followed by his playmate, a large, brindle bulldog. The animal seemed to catch the fever of the chase, and, urged on by the command of his youthful master, ran swiftly after the intrepid thief. He caught him before he had gone a block, and to the surprise of all onlookers, grappled the fellow, kicked, swore and plunged to no purpose. The dog hung on like grim death. Seeing that his game was like grim death, the thief pulled out one of the tails of his cutaway tore entirely off with a sharp rip, and the dog was free. The thief then ran off with his money and the fragment of cloth fastened on his fingers. The thief improved the opportunity and slipped away before he could be caught.

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COMMERCIAL.

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WHEAT—Lower. Cash No. 2 red offered at \$6c; May closed at \$6c bid and July at \$23-3¢ bid.

CORN—Higher. Cash No. 2 sold at 20-7-8¢; \$20c this and 30-1-8¢; \$21-2-8¢; E. side, May closed at 20-5-8¢; 4¢ bid July at 20-1-4¢.

August at 31-1-2¢ asked.

OATS—Firm. Cash No. 2 worth 28¢; May closed at 24¢; July at 24-1-8¢ asked.

FLOWER—Firmly held, but slow at any advance.

Closing Prices—1:15 P.M.

ST. LOUIS:

	Closing Yesterday.	Highest To-day.	Lowest To-day.	Closing To-day.
WHEAT.				
May.	\$6	\$74	\$6	\$6 b
June.	\$6	\$64	\$6	\$6 b
Aug.	\$24	\$44	\$34	\$34 b

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CORN.				
April.	298	30	298	298 b
May.	208	20	208	208 b
July.	234	24	234	234 b
Sept.	214	214	214	214 b

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Communications Received From Abroad Voters in Various Places To-Day.

Some Instructions to Voters About Mail Rates and as to the Rules for Sending the Ballots Through the Mail—A 2-Cent Stamp Will Not Carry a Package That Contains Over Twenty Ballots—The Official List, Giving the Teachers in the Order in Which They Stand—The Voters' Letter-Box.

The teachers' contest has not lost any of its attractiveness. Pupils and teachers' friends are as actively at work as ever. The leaders' supporters realize that it is necessary to work to maintain their candidates in position, and supporters of those who have not yet reached a place at the head of the list know that the race is not over and the winner has not been named. The vote is close and the prizes belong to any one of the 800 candidates.

The prizes offered by the Post-Dispatch to the winners are more generous than those ever offered in any similar contest. The two most popular teachers in St. Louis schools are to be sent to Europe, where they will travel for two months under the guidance of a representative of Cook's Tourist Co., seeing the historic places, works of art and all that is interesting in the Old World. All expenses will be borne by the Post-Dispatch from the time the teachers leave St. Louis until they return to St. Louis. All hotel and other arrangements will be made for the tourists and their trip will be under the most favorable circumstances.

Since the contest opened the Mermad & Jeckard Jewelry Co. has offered a gold watch to the teacher receiving the third highest number.

The list printed below shows numerous changes, the most noteworthy being of Miss Ellen Devoy, who has risen since yesterday to the second position at the bottom of the list to the eleventh position.

The number of ballots received to-day was unusually large, the count was closed before all the ballots were in. The late arrivals will go to-morrow's count.

POSTAGE ON BALLOTS.

Many inquiries have been made as to the postage on ballots. Twenty ballots weigh exactly one ounce, and the postage rate is 2 cents per ounce. If twenty ballots are sent with a letter, the postage will be 2 cents, but such as a letter—2 cents additional is required. If more than twenty ballots are enclosed extra postage is required at the rate of 2 cents per ounce.

Ballots cannot be sent in an unsealed envelope with a 1-cent stamp. The postal rules require that where part of the matter enclosed is written, a 2-cent stamp is required.

Voters' Letter-Box.

ST. LOUIS, April 14, 1890.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch: I noticed my vote and guess as to probable winning number. If in order, would like to suggest that at the time of the election if they take a list of names presented with the votes cast for them. Such would prove a highly esteemed autograph album to the lady teachers.

JACK.

ST. LOUIS, April 14, 1890.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch: I have been in a mistake in Miss Maffay's name. It is neither Bertha, as sent from this school, nor Mamie. It is Maffay. The first vote for the young lady as published, was Fannie, which I think correct. If so, please, in printed list, and oblige an old friend of Miss Fannie Bacon.

P. LEY MALL.

[Fannie Bennett is her name.]

Answers in Brief.

H. HOPELESS.—See answer to "Friends of Miss Cleaver."

FRIDGES OF MISS CLEAVEL.—The error was the result of the rush of votes. It will not occur again if it can be avoided.

FAIR AND SQUARE.—All communications of this kind are welcome in the voters' letter.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE POST-DISPATCH: Will you please answer if there isn't a mistake, as there is no May Wiggins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins. There is no May L. Higgins teacher at the O'Fallon, as there is a May L. Higgins.

ANSWER.—A VOTER.

[The name in the official list is Mary A. Higgins. O'Fallon School.]

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To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch: The enclosed ballot is for Miss Louis K. Billing of the Bates School. Please correct the spelling of the lady's name. Louis, not Louis K., also oblige.

BATES SCHOOL C. O. P. F. COLLINS, Secy.

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AN OLD SCHOLAR.

MONTGOMERY CITY, Mo., April 15, 1890.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch: Enclosed find ballots for Miss Marian Cox as one to go to Europe. Please correct the spelling of the lady's name. Marian, not Marian Cox. Also oblige.

MARY FRIENDS.

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